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First Named Inventor	T. KAJI et al.
Art Unit	1763
Examiner Name	A. M. Crowell
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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
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SUBMISSION OF AMENDMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 CFR § 1.114

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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July 6, 2004
(Tuesday After Holiday)

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.114 and in response to the Office Action dated February 5, 2004, the period of response for which extension is requested by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendments to the Claims;

Remarks are included following the amendments; and

Appendix A provides a translation of an article by some of the co-inventors regarding the "Double Near Surface Model"; and